

**Summer  
2014**

# KIDS KRAZE

Programs and activities  
offered by



CITY OF BLOOMINGTON  
parks and recreation

For more information, contact the Bloomington Parks and Recreation Department at (812) 349-3700 or visit us at [bloomington.in.gov/parks](http://bloomington.in.gov/parks). Register at [bloomington.in.gov/parks](http://bloomington.in.gov/parks) or stop by the office at City Hall, 401 N. Morton St., Suite 250.



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## There is still time to enroll for summer camps!

For more information, visit [bloomington.in.gov/parks](http://bloomington.in.gov/parks).

Kid City summer camps

Ivy Arts

Ivy Tech College for Kids

Junior Golf Camp

Skateboarding Mini-Camp

Youth Sailing Camp

## Bryan Park Pool and Mills Pool open May 24!

**Pools Hotline: 349-3741**

### Bryan Park Pool

1020 S. Woodlawn Ave. • 349-3741

**Open May 24–September 1**

**Hours:** Daily, 11 a.m.–8 p.m.

**Back-to-school hours:**

Weekdays, August 4–29 from 3–8 p.m.

Weekends remain 11 a.m.–8 p.m. during this time.

### Daily admission rates

Youth (17 yrs. and under)	\$3
Adult	\$4
Waterslides*	\$2.50

\*General admission fee does not include use of waterslides.

### Mills Pool

1100 W. 14th St. • 349-3741

**Open May 24–August 3**

**Hours:** Daily, 11 a.m.–7 p.m.

### Daily admission rates

Youth (17 yrs. and under)	\$3
Adult	\$4



**Economy punch passes available for both pools! Visit our Web site for details.**

Operating hours are subject to change based on weather conditions. For updates, call the Pools Hotline.

Portions of the main pool may also close for programs, low attendance, or lifeguard shortages.



### Swimming Lessons at Bryan Park Pool

We offer lessons for many skill levels! For more information or to register, visit [bloomington.in.gov/parks](http://bloomington.in.gov/parks).

#### Session I: June 2–13

\$50/in-city, \$60/non-city • Register by 5/30.

#### Session II: June 16–27

\$50/in-city, \$60/non-city • Register by 6/13.

#### Session III: July 7–18

\$50/in-city, \$60/non-city • Register by 7/3.

#### Session IV: July 21–August 1

\$50/in-city, \$60/non-city • Register by 7/18.



See your favorite vehicles at the 14th annual Touch A Truck! Get up close and personal with fire trucks, ambulances, buses, bucket trucks, and more. Explore the inner workings or the outside gadgets of the big rigs you have always been curious about!

For more information contact Lysie Haag at 349-3718 or [haagl@bloomington.in.gov](mailto:haagl@bloomington.in.gov). Call the Community Events Hotline at 349-3754 for weather-related cancellations.

**Wednesday, June 11 • 10 a.m.–2 p.m.**

**\$1/per person**

**Geared toward ages 1–10 yrs.**

**Twin Lakes Sports Park,  
2350 W. Bloomfield Rd., parking lot;  
additional parking is available at  
the Twin Lakes Recreation Center.**

*Rain date: June 12*

## Bryan Park Itsy Bitsy Kids Triathlon

**NEW!**

Encourage children ages 5–10 yrs. to get active with this fun, non-competitive event! The triathlon includes a 100-meter swim in Bryan Park Pool, 1.1-mile cycle, and .6-mile run. Every child who takes part is a winner! Participants begin each event together so no one is left behind. Children must bring their own bikes and bike helmets for the cycle portion of the triathlon. Refreshments and fruit are provided for triathletes during and after the event.

**Sa 7/12 • 9–10:30 a.m. • Register by 6/27 (Code 81002-A)**

**\$15 • For ages 5–10 yrs. w/parent.**

**Bryan Park, 1001 S. Henderson St.**

## MESSY MAMA

Kids get crazy with their hands when we let them experiment with all kinds of messy mediums, with no worries about creating chaos in the house! These hands-on activities will delight every youngster who loves to squish, splatter, and fling! Let us take care of the prep time and cleanup, while you and your child experience a morning of head-to-toe, ooey gooey good times!

**Tuesday, July 15**

**9 a.m.–noon**

**RCA Community Park,  
1400 W. RCA Park Dr.**

**\$5/child • For ages 1–8 yrs. w/parent.**

For more information, contact Lysie Haag at 349-3718 or [haagl@bloomington.in.gov](mailto:haagl@bloomington.in.gov).



**Register online at [bloomington.in.gov/parks](http://bloomington.in.gov/parks).**

# Experience The Great Outdoors

Children under age 12 yrs. must be accompanied by a registered adult.

GRIFFY LAKE  
BOATHOUSE  
NOW OPEN!

## Bring Home a Butterfly

Watch a caterpillar change into a butterfly right before your eyes! Learn basic butterfly behavior, biology, and care to successfully raise a butterfly at home. Each participant receives a painted lady caterpillar to take home and raise into a beautiful butterfly.

Cost is per caterpillar. Instructor: Derek Greene

**F 6/20 • 1–2 p.m. • Register by 6/6 (Code 84001-A)**

**Sa 6/21 • 1–2 p.m. • Register by 6/6 (Code 84001-B)**

**\$10/in-city, \$12/non-city • For all ages.**

**Bryan Park, 1001 S. Henderson St., North Shelter**

## Bug Fest

Learn all about amazing insects at Bloomington's second annual Bug Fest! Go on an insect safari, handle cool insects, make a craft, and participate in a mealworm race or cricket-spitting contest. There will be speakers and information booths on a variety of buggy topics. This event is a collaboration of Bloomington Parks and Recreation, Monroe County Parks and Recreation, The WonderLab Museum, Purdue Extension office, and Hilltop Garden and Nature Center.

**Sa 6/28 • 10 a.m.–3 p.m.**

**FREE • For all ages.**

**Hilltop Garden and Nature Center, 2367 E. 10th St.**

## Stick Forts and Nature Nests

Escape into a world of your own creation. Build a fort strong enough to repel any attack or make a soft and cozy nest perfect for daydreaming. We provide the branches, twigs, and other natural materials, you provide the imagination. Registration provides you or your group enough materials and space to create at least one structure during the program.

Cost is per structure. Instructor: Derek Greene

**F 7/18 • 4–6 p.m. • Register by 7/11 (Code 84010-A)**

**\$10/in-city, \$12/non-city • For all ages.**

**Griffy Lake Nature Preserve, 3300 N. Headley Rd.**

## The Oregon Griffy Lake Trail

Gather up your expedition members, hop in a canoe, and roll the dice as you follow in the footsteps of renowned explorer Thaddeus Q. Griffith in this life-sized simulation game.

Will you be able to overcome supply shortages, illness, and other misfortunes in order to successfully explore Griffy Lake? Canoes, life jackets, and equipment needed to play the game are provided. Cost is per canoe. Each canoe can hold up to three people. Children under age 14 yrs. must be accompanied

by a registered adult. Instructor: Derek Greene

**Sa 7/26 • 10 a.m.–1 p.m. • Register by 7/21 (Code 84012-A)**

**\$15/in-city, \$20/non-city • For all ages.**

**Griffy Lake Nature Preserve, 3300 N. Headley Rd.**

## Stories of the Stars

Is there a star in the constellation Orion whose name means "armpit of the giant"? Why does the bear in the Ursa Major constellation have a long tail? Which constellation is hiding a group of stars that was once used as an ancient test of eyesight? Learn the stories behind these and other constellations as well as tricks for easily locating constellations in the night sky. Instructor: Derek Greene

**F 8/8 • 9–10 p.m. • Register by 8/1 (Code 84011-A)**

**\$4/in-city, \$5/non-city • For all ages.**

**RCA Community Park,**

**1400 W. RCA Park Dr., Small Shelter**

**Visit our Web site for more  
Great Outdoors nature programs.**

## Fourth of July Parade!

**Friday, July 4 ★ 10 a.m.**

**9 a.m.**

**Bloomington Community Band  
on the Courthouse Square**

**10 a.m.**

**Fourth of July Parade**

**11:15 a.m.**

**Parade Awards  
on the Courthouse Square**

## Learning to Rollerblade

This three-class course provides the foundation and practice to use your inline skates (roller blades) on outdoor trails. The course is designed specifically for the very beginner or almost beginner that has never used skates or has not gained enough confidence to feel safe using them.

Bring your own inline skates, a helmet, and wrist guards. Knee, elbow, and fanny pads are optional based on individual needs. Instructor: Brian Courtney

**Sa 6/7–6/21 • 3–4 p.m.**

**Register by 5/30 (Code 81001-A)**

**\$20 • For ages 8 yrs. and up**

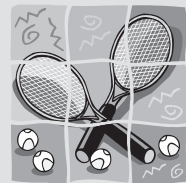
**Sherwood Oaks Park, 1600 E. Elliston Dr.**

**Meet behind the tennis courts.**



## Youth Tennis Lessons

Classes meet twice each week for four weeks. Instructors are accomplished players and trained through the USTA curriculum. Typical student-to-teacher ratio is 5:1. For more information, contact Dee Tuttle at 349-3762 or [tuttled@bloomington.in.gov](mailto:tuttled@bloomington.in.gov).



**Winslow Sports Complex, 2800 S. Highland Ave.**

### Session I: June 2–26

**\$38/in-city, \$46/non-city • Register by 5/28.**

#### Intermediate

**M, W • 5–5:45 p.m. • For ages 9–12 yrs. • Code 87003-1A**

#### Beginner

**Tu, Th • 5–5:45 p.m. • For ages 5–8 yrs. • Code 87003-1B**

**Tu, Th • 5:45–6:30 p.m. • For ages 9–12 yrs. • Code 87003-1C**

#### Beginner/ Intermediate

**Tu, Th • 6:30–7:15 p.m. • For ages 13–17 yrs. • Code 87003-1D**

### Session II: July 7–31

**\$38/in-city, \$46/non-city • Register by 6/30.**

#### Intermediate

**M, W • 5–5:45 p.m. • For ages 9–12 yrs. • Code 87003-2A**

#### Beginner

**Tu, Th • 5–5:45 p.m. • For ages 5–8 yrs. • Code 87003-2B**

**Tu, Th • 5:45–6:30 p.m. • For ages 9–12 yrs. • Code 87003-2C**

#### Beginner/ Intermediate

**Tu, Th • 6:30–7:15 p.m. • For ages 13–17 yrs. • Code 87003-2D**

## Private Tennis Lessons

If group lessons are not your style or if you like more personalized attention, private lessons are available from our group instructors.

Times are flexible. For more information, contact Dee Tuttle at 349-3762 or [tuttled@bloomington.in.gov](mailto:tuttled@bloomington.in.gov).



## Play Day



**Friday, August 29  
6–8 p.m. • For all ages.  
Bryan Park,  
1001 S. Henderson St.**

Come out and PLAY! Bloomington has again been named a Playful City USA by KaBOOM! Stay until dusk and watch Disney's "Up" on the big screen. We'll have games and playful activities for kids of all ages.

**Register online at [bloomington.in.gov/parks](http://bloomington.in.gov/parks).**